Claims

- Method for screening for inhibitors of phospholipid hydroperoxide glutathione peroxidase (PHGPx) derived from human tissue or human cells comprising the steps of
 - a) determining the enzymatic activity of said PHGPx in the absence and presence, respectively, of at least one potential inhibitor,
 - b) selecting at least one inhibitor which specifically blocks PHGPx activity and subjecting said inhibitor(s) to a screening for pharmaceutical acceptance and
 - c) selecting a pharmaceutically acceptable inhibitor which, by specifically blocking PHGPx, reversibly suppresses male fertility.
- Method of claim 1, wherein the tissue or cells are from life stock or any related mammalian species.
- 20 3. Method of claim 1, wherein PHGPx is produced by genetic engineering.
- Method of claim 1, 2 or 3, wherein the potential inhibitors have been tailored by computer designing and/or produced by a chemical process of production.
 - 5. A pharmaceutically acceptable inhibitor of PHGPx from human tissue obtainable by the method according to claim 1, 2, 3 or 4 and useful for male fertility control.
 - 6. Pharmaceutical composition comprising at least one inhibitor of PHGPx from human tissue according to claim 5

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and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and/or diluent or no such carrier/diluent.

7. Use of an inhibitor of PHGPx according to claim 5 or of a pharmaceutical composition comprising said inhibitor of PHGPx according to claim 6 in a method for reversibly blocking male fertility.

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